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SUMMARY  
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2. ON JUNE 15 WHILE IN TRANSIT TO BURUNDI, AMBASSADOR RAWSON, SCOTT FISHER (AF/RA), COL. MIKE BERAUD (OSD/ISA) AND KATE FARNSWORTH (USAID/OFDA) MET FOR HALF AN HOUR WITH GENERAL DALLAIRE, COMMANDER OF UNAMIR FORCES IN RWANDA AT UN HEADQUARTERS IN NAIROBI. ALSO ATTENDING THE MEETING WAS CHARLES PETRIE, UNDP DEPUTY RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE FOR RWANDA AND COORDINATOR OF THE UN EMERGENCY OFFICE FOR RWANDA (UN/REO). DALLAIRE MADE THREE REQUESTS OF THE US DELEGATION: RAPID DEPLOYMENT OF EQUIPMENT FOR THE GHANAIAN AND SENEGALESE UNAMIR TROOPS; A MOVEMENT CONTROL UNIT FOR LOGISTICS BACK-UP AT-UP ENTEBBE, NAIROBI AND KIGALI FOR THE UNAMIR EXPANDED DEPLOYMENT, AND USG ASSISTANCE WITH SATELLITE IMAGERY TO FIND THE

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WHEREABOUTS OF DISPLACED PEOPLE MOVING IN RGF CONTROLLED AREAS. HE DOUBTED THAT BURUNDI WOULD ACCEPT BUJUMBURA AS A STAGING POINT FOR UNAMIR TROOPS BUT URGED THE USG DELEGATION TO PURSUE THE ISSUE WITH THE GOB. THE GENERAL ALSO EXPRESSED OPTIMISM ABOUT PEACE EFFORTS BEING MADE BY UNAMIR, SAYING "WE HAVE THEM TALKING NUTS AND BOLTS."  
END SUMMARY.

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MOBILIZATION OF GHANAIAN AND SENEGALESE  
CONTINGENTS  
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3. THE AMBASSADOR OPENED THE MEETING WITH WORDS OF CONGRATULATION AND ADMIRATION FOR THE WORK THAT UNAMIR IS DOING UNDER MOST DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES IN KIGALI. HE ALSO OFFERED HIS CONDOLENCES FOR THE LOSSES UNAMIR HAS SUSTAINED IN CARRYING OUT ITS MISSION.

4. TURNING TO TECHNICAL ISSUES, THE AMBASSADOR ACKNOWLEDGED RECEIPT OF THE EQUIPMENT REQUESTS FOR THE GHANAIAN AND SENEGALESE CONTINGENTS. IN VIEW

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OF THE EXTENSIVE LIST OF EQUIPMENT REQUESTED, HE INFORMED THE GENERAL THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAD REQUESTED THE UN REVIEW AND "SCRUB" THE LISTS. THE GENERAL AGREED THAT THE ORIGINAL EQUIPMENT LISTS SUBMITTED BY THE GHANAIS WERE UNREASONABLE AND THAT HE HAD MODIFIED AND REDUCED THE REQUEST.

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5. THE AMBASSADOR INFORMED DALLAIRE THAT THE CONTRACT FOR THE ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIERS (APC'S) FROM GERMANY HAD BEEN SIGNED. HE EXPRESSED HIS HOPE THAT DEPLOYMENT OF THESE ASSETS COULD BE ACCELERATED IN THE NEXT WEEKS. DALLAIRE NOTED THAT SOMALIA-BASED APC'S SHOULD BE ARRIVING IN KIGALI THIS WEEK. HE ADDED THAT AN ADDITIONAL 150 GHANAIS WERE ON THEIR WAY TO KIGALI; MOREOVER CANADA HAD TALKED ABOUT SENDING MECHANICS IN THE SHORT TERM TO MAINTAIN THE INCOMING FLEET UNTIL THE GHANAIS ARE TRAINED. ASKED ABOUT TRAINING VENUES FOR APC MECHANICS, DALLAIRE PUT HIS STRONG POSITION THAT EGYPT WOULD NOT BE APPROPRIATE, GIVEN REPORTS OF POSSIBLE EGYPTIAN ARMS SALES TO THE RGF. HE WAS NOT AWARE OF POTENTIAL TRAINING IN SOMALIA. DALLAIRE ALSO URGED THAT SPARE PARTS FOR SOMALI APC'S BE HURRIED ON THEIR WAY TO MOGADISHU SO AS TO LEVERAGE RAPID MOVEMENT OF APC'S FROM UNOSOM TO UNAMIR.

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APCS CAN'T RUN WITHOUT FUEL AND BACKUP  
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6. DALLAIRE EXPRESSED HIS GRATITUDE THAT APC'S  
WERE ON THE MOVE BUT EMPHASIZED THAT APC'S ALONE

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WERE INSUFFICIENT TO EQUIP THE UNAMIR BATTALIONS AND MAKE THEM EFFECTIVE. HE NEEDS TENTS, WATER TRUCKS, RADIOS, FUEL TANKERS - ALL THE OTHER ITEMS THAT MAKE UP THE "KITS" TO OUTFIT MILITARY UNITS.

7. MOREOVER, HE EXPRESSED GRAVE CONCERN ABOUT UNAMIR'S ABILITIES TO PROVIDE THE LOGISTICS SUPPORT NEEDED TO HANDLE THE INCOMING EQUIPMENT AND SAID HIS "GREAT FEAR" WAS THAT THE UN WOULD HAVE TO ASK THAT THE LONG AWAITED DEPLOYMENT BE SLOWED DUE TO LOGISTICS OFFLOADING BOTTLENECKS. HE ASKED FOR SOME COUNTRY TO PROVIDE A MOVEMENT CONTROL UNIT TO MANAGE INCOMING FLIGHTS AND TO CONTROL GROUND DISPATCH AND TRANSPORTATION FROM THREE HUBS: KIGALI, ENTEBBE, AND NAIROBI. IN RESPONSE TO AN INQUIRY FROM THE AMBASSADOR REGARDING THE ROLE BURUNDI COULD/WOULD PLAY AS A STAGING POINT FOR THE DEPLOYMENT, DALLAIRE SAID HE FAVORED USING BUJUMBURA SINCE IT WOULD GIVE READY

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ACCESS TO SOUTHERN RWANDA, BUT THE BURUNDIANS WERE LESS THAN RECEPTIVE. HE NONETHELESS URGED THE USG DELEGATION TO RAISE THE ISSUE WITH BURUNDIAN AUTHORITIES DURING ITS VISIT TO BUJUMBURA.

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WHERE HAVE ALL THE PEOPLE GONE  
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8. FINALLY, DALLAIRE RAISED HIS WORRY THAT THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY WAS FALLING BEHIND THE HUMANITARIAN SITUATION IN RWANDA. HE EXPRESSED HIS FRUSTRATION AT NOT BEING ABLE TO FIND THE ESTIMATED TWO MILLION PEOPLE BELIEVED TO BE MOVING SOMEWHERE IN THE SOUTH WESTERN PARTS OF THE COUNTRY. HE SPECIFICALLY ASKED FOR USG ASSISTANCE IN PROVIDING THERMAL AND PHOTO IMAGERY TO HELP IDENTIFY THEIR LOCATION. RAWSON TOLD DALLAIRE THAT IMAGERY TAKEN TO DATE HAS NOT REVEALED LARGE MASSING OF MIGRANT POPULATIONS IN THE SOUTH.

9. IN CLOSING HIS REMARKS, GENERAL DALLAIRE SUMMARIZED HIS THREE REQUESTS TO THE USG: MOBILIZE THE REQUIRED EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES, HELP WITH

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GROUND LOGISTICS AT THE MAJOR HUBS, AND PROVIDE  
SATELLITE IMAGERY TO ASSIST WITH HUMANITARIAN  
RESPONSE. AS A FINAL ASIDE DALLAIRE EXPRESSED HIS  
OPTIMISM THAT PEACE EFFORTS BEING BROKERED BY  
UNAMIR MAY EVENTUALLY BEAR FRUIT, "WE HAVE THEM  
TALKING NUTS AND BOLTS," HE SAID.

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10. WHILE WAITING FOR THE ARRIVAL OF GENERAL  
DALLAIRE, THE USG DELEGATION WAS BRIEFED BY THE  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE UN COORDINATION UNIT FOR  
RWANDA, CHARLES PETRIE. PETRIE EXPLAINED THAT UN  
HUMANITARIAN COORDINATION STRATEGY WAS DESIGNED  
NOT TO DIRECT HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE EFFORTS BUT  
TO PROVIDE A POINT OF INFORMATION AND  
COORDINATION. THE UNIT HAS SATELLITE OFFICES IN  
KABALE, BUJUMBURA, KIGALI, AND ITS HEADQUARTERS IN  
NAIROBI. HE NOTED THAT UN/NGO COORDINATION AND  
COLLABORATION WAS EXCELLENT IN KIGALI WHERE  
DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES PERHAPS HAVE FACILITATED  
RELATIONSHIPS THAT NORMALLY MIGHT BE DIFFICULT.  
HE CHARACTERIZED COORDINATION IN BURUNDI AS NON-  
EXISTENT, COMMENTING "NOBODY IS AT HOME,"  
CONFIRMING THE USG DELEGATION'S CONCERNS THAT THE  
RELIEF COMMUNITY IN BUJUMBURA IS ILL-PREPARED FOR  
POTENTIAL LARGE REFUGEE INFLOWS FROM RWANDA, OR A  
POTENTIAL DESTABILIZATION OF THE SITUATION IN  
BURUNDI ITSELF. PREPAREDNESS IS ALSO SCANT IN

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BUKAVU, PETRIE SAID, WITH LITTLE OR NO NGO/UN  
PRESENCE AND A LESS THAN COOPERATIVE ZAIRE  
AUTHORITY.

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11. PETRIE BRIEFLY DESCRIBED A FORTHCOMING SERIES OF ASSESSMENTS PLANNED FOR BOTH RPF AND RGF AREAS TO BE JOINTLY COORDINATED AND EXECUTED BY THE UN/ICRC/NGO COMMUNITY. THE FIRST ASSESSMENTS IN THE RPF ZONES WILL TAKE PLACE BETWEEN JUNE 19-22 FOLLOWING A PREPARATORY TECHNICAL WORKSHOP IN KABALE, UGANDA ON JUNE 17. THE TEAMS WILL FOCUS THEIR SURVEY IN AREAS NEWLY CAPTURED BY THE RPF IN THE SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST OF THE COUNTRY. SURVEYS IN THE RGF ZONES ARE UNDER NEGOTIATION WITH GOR OFFICIALS BUT TENTATIVELY TWO TEAMS WILL BE DEPLOYED, ONE TO ASSESS AREAS FROM BUTARE-CYANGUGU AND ONE TO SURVEY THE GISENYI-KIBUYE SECTOR.

12. PETRIE ALSO REPORTED THAT FOLLOWING PROTESTS OVER THE MINING OF UNICEF'S BUILDING IN KIGALI, GENERAL KAGAME PROMISED FULL COOPERATION WITH UN'S HUMANITARIAN EFFORTS, INCLUDING ALLOWING CROSS-  
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LINE CONVOYS. THE UN PLANS TO TEST THIS EXPRESSED  
GOOD WILL WITH A MIXED UN/PVO CONVOY FROM RPF  
TERRITORY INTO THE RGF ZONE IN THE NEAR FUTURE.  
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